# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



## **FISCAL NOTE**

### HB 907 - SB 1525

March 13, 2021

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes a general sessions court to direct a defendant to make restitution to the victim of an offense as a condition of probation or enter an order of restitution awarding a civil judgement of restitution to the victim of an offense. Authorizes a victim of the offense to choose to receive restitution in the form of a civil judgment or in payments or performance by the defendant as a condition of probation. Makes various changes to restitution orders for victims of crime. Effective October 1, 2021.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **NOT SIGNIFICANT**

## Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann § 40-35-304, a sentencing court is authorized to direct a defendant to make restitution to the victim of the offense as a condition of probation. If a sentence is agreed upon, restitution will be included as part of a plea agreement.
- Any impact to the court system resulting from the proposed legislation will be accomplished utilizing existing judicial resources. Any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Bojan Savic, Interim Executive Director

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